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WITH MC1R VARIANT ALLELES

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 18, 2009, Applicants elect group 1, claims 1-9 and 11-15.

Election of a species of the alpha-MSH analogues recited in claim 1 has been required. Applicants elect [Nle⁴, D-Phe⁷]-α-MSH].

Election of a patient population from those recited in claims 12-14 by specifying the alleles present in the patient and/or the skin type has been required. Applicants elect Fitzpatrick skin type I from claim 14.

Election of a sequence from claim 15 has been required. Applicants elect SEQ ID NO 1.

Appl. No. 10/595,971 Restriction Requirement dated February 18, 2009 Response to Restriction Requirement dated March 18, 2009

Claims readable on the elected species are: 1, 2, 5, 7, and 9-15.

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